

slowly. In addition to the usual provision, Rs. 20,000 were sanctioned for the current year for equipment, and that amount has been fully utilised. For the next year, due to financial considerations, Government found it possible to sanction only Rs. 15,000. As grants are given, equipment will also improve.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMI.—The answer to question (c) does not include the hospital which was recently opened at Krishnarajanagar. May I know the reason for that omission?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—There is a clerical mistake in that respect. In fact three hospitals have been omitted in the list (1) Krishnarajanagar Female Dispensary and Maternity, (2) Kolar Mission Hospital, and (3) Mandagadde Mission Hospital, so that the total number of institutions should be 29 and not 26.

MR. T. RAMACHANDRA.—Is there any possibility of opening some more maternity homes and female dispensaries out of the Silver Jubilee Fund?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—It is not yet settled as to how the Silver Jubilee collections are to be utilized.

MR. GURUSWAMI GOWDA.—If private donations are forthcoming, will the department be pleased to accept them and open more hospitals?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—Yes, provided the local bodies concerned undertake to bear their portion of the cost.

High Schools for Girls.

Dharmapara SRI. ALAMMA
(Women's Interests).—

Q.—52. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) The number of girls studying in the high schools each year during the past ten years?

(b) Whether it is a fact that the number of such students is dwindling every year and whether Government have tried to find out the reasons for the same?

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MR. H. V. RAMASWAMI).—

A.—(a)

Year	Strength
1924-25	... 229

Year	Strength
1925-26	... 257
1926-27	... 265
1927-28	... 243
1928-29	... 277
1929-30	... 328
1930-31	... 363
1931-32	... 407
1932-33	... 474
1933-34	... 472

(b) In the light of the above, the question does not arise.

SRI. K. D. RUKMINIAMMA.—It is seen from the answer that the number of girls studying in the high schools has increased twofold. Is that due to a corresponding increase in the number of high schools?

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (MR. N. S. SUBBA RAO).—The number of high schools also has increased from 3 to 6.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA.—Does it not show that with the increase in the number of schools, women's education will increase correspondingly?

MR. N. S. SUBBA RAO.—Obviously.

REPRESENTATIONS.—(contd.).

REPRESENTATION No. 2.

Reduction of land assessment by 25 per cent.

MESSRS. D. Y. SIDDAPPA, Tumkur Municipality, and K. NARAYANA SETTY, Tumkur Taluk.

MR. DESADA YEJAMAN SIDDAPPA represented that as the raiyats had been put to much loss and hardship on account of failure of crops in the State, land assessment should be reduced by 25 per cent.

It was agreed that this representation be considered in connection with Resolution No. 2 on the same subject.

REPRESENTATION No. 3.

Reduction of rates of assessment in the Bangalore District.

MESSRS. VEERE GOWDA, Doddballapur Taluk; T. MADIHA GOWDA and V. VENKATAPPA, Channarayana Taluk; R. DASAPPA, Devanahalli Taluk; A. M. VENKATASAMIAH, Closepet Municipality; H. GANGAPPA, Magadi Taluk; SHROFF RANGASAMI SETTY, Magadi Municipality; S. KARIAPPA and M. LINGE GOWDA, Kankanhalli Taluk; GURUSWAMI GOWDA, Hoskote Taluk; M. B. GURULINGIAH, Closepet Taluk; S. T. MALLASETTAPPA, Nelamangala Taluk and M. S. PUTTARAMASETTI, Magadi Taluk.